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R. D. HUME EXPRESSES SOME IDEAS

CLAIMS THAT THIRTY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE DEMONSTRATES FUTILITY OF PRESENT SALMON HATCHERY METHODS.

The following letter was received in this city yesterday by one of the leading cannerymen on the coast and the exceeding importance of its contents, amplified by the ability and experience of its author, who is equally well known here and treating as it does with the paramount sea and river industry at this port, and country, moved him to permit the publication of the letter in these columns. He did not offer an opinion on the grave question, for nor against, the convictions of his correspondent, and the Morning Astorian takes the same privilege of reserving its conclusions in the matter until a more propitious moment. The letter is as follows:

"I presume you saw my letter in the Oregonian, which states, briefly, my position. The Radium, for September, will deal with the matter at greater length. Every effort has been made to destroy the run of salmon (by interested parties) that the evidence of my operations should attract no notice from those interested in the industry. The fact is, that the whole method pursued by the state is erroneous and of no benefit to the industry.

"The runs are becoming less and less every year in spite of the money spent, and the millions and millions of fry and eggs thrown into the stream. None are so ignorant as those who will not learn when the evidence is presented in the way of actual demonstration.

"My operations and writings for the past thirty years, should convince most minds that such work as has been carried on by the state, is of no use. Where are the millions of fry that have been turned into the tributaries of the Columbia river for that long period? All the sensible fishcultivists of both states are convinced that my system is correct, but Astoria's wise man is getting the laws revoked that furnish protection, and money to throw away in the effort to make a showing in print, caring nothing for what may happen to the industry.

"So far as I am concerned I have enough to live on for the balance of my life, but would like to see the industry from which I have acquired my fortune fostered, especially when it is such a simple matter to do it. At the rate the runs are diminishing the Columbia river, in less than five years from this date, will not have a cannery nor a cold storage plant in operation.

"Those interested (which means the state) should wake up ere it is too late to preserve the seed. One-tenth of the fry which it is purported has been put in, if fed, until six inches in length, would make the Columbia teem with salmon, and only cost a trifle compared with the amount for which we have been taxed heretofore. There is a continual call for more, and doubtless more would come cheerfully and quickly, if there was evidence of a benefit.

"As you know, the runs in the Columbia are fast deteriorating in quantity and quality, and as may perceive, the later runs are steadily growing less year by year. Nothing will save the stream from total extinction as a salmon stream for canning and cold-storage, but the adoption of feeding stations; of this I am satisfied, and, in fact, have proven, that the only good that has come to Rogue River is through eggs hatched in the lower rivers and the resultant fry fed until they could eat, instead of being eaten. There should be an entire change in the methods now in vogue, and it would seem that thirty years was time enough to demonstrate the weakness of the methods heretofore pursued.

"The coming legislature should take up the matter earnestly and pass some act to correct the present conditions. Yours truly,
"R. D. HUME."

Dies in California—The father of Mrs. H. Christensen of this city died yesterday at his home in Hollister, California, after a brief illness. Mrs. Christensen received word of her parent's serious illness a few days ago, and immediately left for her father's bedside, arriving, however, after his demise. The news of her bereavement will be received here by her friends with sympathy.

FINNISH MESSAGES.

Miss Olga Landen, Room 6, Pythian Bldg., Commercial St. Phone Black 2165

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Was Insured—The late J. H. Johansen, formerly mayor of Seaside, who died recently in Salem, was a member of Seaside Lodge No. 12, A. O. U. W., and was insured for \$2,000, which sum will be paid his wife in a few days. The deceased originally joined the Astoria lodge No. 50, in 1894.

To Reno—Miss Huden will leave this morning for Reno, Nevada, where she will visit friends for a few months.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Kate Waals left yesterday morning for Monmouth, where she will enter the State Normal.

Miss Symington was a passenger hence on yesterday morning's train for Eugene and will enter the State University.

Charles E. A. Olsen of Portland was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

J. A. C. Freund of Dilly, Or., was an Astoria visitor for a brief time yesterday, attending to business interests.

W. C. Parsons of McCabe, Arizona, spent yesterday in the city on business.

F. J. Fox of Pittsburg was in the city for a short time yesterday transacting business matters.

E. C. Walker, a prominent resident of Skamokawa, was in Astoria for a brief time yesterday, attending to business matters. He states things in his district are most prosperous.

Mrs. George McCabe, a resident of Sea View, spent yesterday in the city visiting friends.

Cliff Turney of Bucoda was in town yesterday for a short time.

Mrs. R. A. Greene of Tacoma arrived in town yesterday noon to remain a few days with friends.

Miss Clara Munson, of Warrenton, who has been spending several days at Shoalwater Bay, with a party of friends, has returned and reports a delightful outing. Among the curious things incident to the trip, Miss Munson discovered her old Indian nurse whom she had not seen since her childhood, and the meeting was reciprocally pleasant.

Martin Franciscovich has returned from a business trip to Aberdeen and neighboring points about Gray's Harbor. He says things are very bright and lively over there; wages high and labor independent, and lumber shipments

rushing seaward daily and almost hourly.

Cyrus Crumley of Seaside spent the day in Astoria yesterday.

Charles Humphrey went to Portland on business yesterday.

DONE BY DEED.

Christine E. Walker et ux to M. M. Spaulding, warranty, lot 7 in block 2, Railroad Addition to Ocean Grove \$ 500
John D. McFarland to C. F. Lester and Frank Warren, warranty, undivided 1-4 interest in Sectional lands in T. 8 N., R. 7 W. 900

NOTICE.

Special communication of Temple lodge, No. 7, A. F. and A. M., will be held Monday, September 24, 1906, at 9:30 a. m., in Masonic hall for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, J. H. Johansen. All members and visiting brethren are earnestly requested to be present. By order W. M.
Attest: E. C. HOLDEN, Sec'y.

THEY ARE HERE.

Another big shipment of the San Francisco earthquake books have just arrived at the Astorian office and are ready for subscribers. Come early and avoid the rush.

SPRAINS.

S. A. Read, Cisco, Tex., writes, March 11, 1901: My wrist was sprained so badly by a fall that it was useless; and after using several remedies that failed to give relief, used Ballard's Snow Liniment, and was cured. I earnestly recommend it to any one suffering from sprains. Hart's Drug Store. sep

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